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COMMUNICATION REQUESTING CORRECTION OF APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER

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Sir:

The above application bearing the noted title was filed on October 1, 2003. On October 20, 2003, applicants received the return postcard identifying the serial number for the captioned application as 10/676,677, but bearing the wrong filing date.

When the undersigned accesses the '677 application in PAIR, it clearly is not the above-captioned application. Applicants have had several telephone communications with the Patent Office and were informed that the correct serial number should be 10/676,675. A search in PAIR does reflect, by title and inventors' names, that USSN 10/676,675 appears to be the correct serial number. However, in view of the File History Summary available through PAIR, it appears to applicants that both the '677 and '675 files are corrupted.

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For example, applicants Information Disclosure Statement dated October 11, 2003 and April 23, 2004 do not appear in the PAIR summary for the '675 application but seem to be correctly listed for the '677 application. So the files for both serial numbers are incomplete or incorrect.

Moreover, applicants have access, through private PAIR, to <u>both</u> applications and assume the same is true for counsel handling the '677 application. This is a violation of confidentiality and applicants request that the problem with these files be corrected promptly. It has been over one and a half years since applicants' first requested correction of this problem and yet the problem continues.

Respectfully submitted,

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